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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re. U.S. National Phase of
PCT/US99/27318 of:

DONALD A. PHILLIPS, et al.

Application No.: Not yet assigned

Filed: Herewith

For: NOVEL ENHANCERS OF PLANT
GROWTH

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

San Francisco, CA 94111
May 15, 2001

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please substitute the following amended, clean versions of the indicated claims (a marked-up version of the changes to the claims is attached to this Amendment):

A1 60. (amended) A transformed cell comprising the isolated nucleic acid of claim 53.

A2 67. (amended) A transformed cell comprising at least one nucleic acid of claim 61.